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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO MAY 20, 2011 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sirs:

This Amendment is in reply to the Office Action mailed on May 20, 2011 in connection with the above-identified application. The time set for filing a response to the Office Action expired on August 20, 2011. Applicants hereby request a two (2) month extension of time for responding to the August 20th Office Action and have charged the required fee to credit card. With the expected grant of Applicants' request for extension of time, the time for responding to the Office Action now expires October 20, 2011, and thus, the present response is timely filed.